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CHAFEE ANNOUNCES HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Lincoln Chafee has announced that a \$22,500 grant has been awarded to Bonanza Acquisition, LLC for security enhancements to the company's buses. The award has been distributed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security under its fiscal year 2005 Intercity Bus Security Grant Program.

"As we have seen with the recent bombings in London, there is a real risk of attack on so-called 'soft targets,' such as trains and buses. This grant will enable Bonanza to step back and determine potential flaws and vulnerabilities they may have to such an attack, and make the necessary improvements to protect their buses," said Senator Chafee, a member of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Bonanza will use these funds to pay for costs related to the implementation of the company's facility security enhancements project. The funds will attempt to create a sustainable system to protect transportation infrastructure from terrorism, specifically explosives and non-conventional threats that would result in significant loss of life and severe disruption of services.

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